

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding Sections
5 4-8.5, 5-8.5, and 6-35.5 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/4-8.5 new)

7 Sec. 4-8.5. Deputy registrar eligibility;
8 pre-registration. Unless otherwise provided by law, an
9 individual that is 17 years old or older who is registered to
10 vote in this State shall be eligible to serve as a deputy
11 registrar. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
12 contrary, an individual who will be 18 years of age or older at
13 the next general election may sign and circulate candidate
14 petitions and may pre-register to vote, and shall be deemed
15 competent to execute and attest to any voter registration
16 forms, with the registration held in abeyance by the
17 appropriate election authority until such time as that
18 individual attains the required age to vote.

19 (10 ILCS 5/5-8.5 new)

20 Sec. 5-8.5. Deputy registrar eligibility;
21 pre-registration. Unless otherwise provided by law, an
22 individual that is 17 years old or older who is registered to

1 vote in this State shall be eligible to serve as a deputy
2 registrar. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
3 contrary, an individual who will be 18 years of age or older at
4 the next general election may sign and circulate candidate
5 petitions and may pre-register to vote, and shall be deemed
6 competent to execute and attest to any voter registration
7 forms, with the registration held in abeyance by the
8 appropriate election authority until such time as that
9 individual attains the required age to vote.

10 (10 ILCS 5/6-35.5 new)

11 Sec. 6-35.5. Deputy registrar eligibility;
12 pre-registration. Unless otherwise provided by law, an
13 individual that is 17 years old or older who is registered to
14 vote in this State shall be eligible to serve as a deputy
15 registrar. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
16 contrary, an individual who will be 18 years of age or older at
17 the next general election may sign and circulate candidate
18 petitions and may pre-register to vote, and shall be deemed
19 competent to execute and attest to any voter registration
20 forms, with the registration held in abeyance by the
21 appropriate election authority until such time as that
22 individual attains the required age to vote.

23 Section 10. The Township Code is amended by adding Section
24 45-65 as follows:

1 (60 ILCS 1/45-65 new)

2 Sec. 45-65. Voting age. Notwithstanding any other
3 provision of law, a person who is 17 years old on the date of a
4 caucus or primary election and who is otherwise qualified to
5 vote is qualified to vote at that caucus or primary, including
6 voting a vote by mail, grace period, or early voting ballot
7 with respect to that primary, if that person will be 18 years
8 old on the date of the corresponding election.

9 References in this Article and elsewhere to the requirement
10 that a person must be 18 years old to vote shall be interpreted
11 in accordance with this Section.

12 For the purposes of this Article, an individual who is 17
13 years of age and who will be 18 years of age on the date of the
14 general election shall be deemed competent to execute and
15 attest to any voter registration forms.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.